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Dr. van zyl Slabbert Fax no: 2711 646 9027

Re: Election '99 South Africa

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Dear Dr. van zyl Slabbert,

As you may remember in 1994 I edited the story of those first momentous elections for David Philip Publishers in Cape Town - Election '94 South Africa. Now this year comes the equally important second elections and thus the sequel. Once again the work will be simultaneously published by St. Martin's Press in New York and James Currey in London. In 1994 two print runs (totaling 4,000 books) sold out quickly, the reviews were generally very positive, and the number of academic citations have been high.

You will see from the attached outline that the core group of contributors remains the same but this year I have supplemented our ranks with some new prominent scholars of South African politics. I can think of no better person to write the concluding chapter for the book on "prospects for South Africa post 1999." You would have a free hand to address the issues you are most engaged with and I hope you could give the domestic and international reader some feel for the challenges facing the new government and the prospects for the consolidation of democracy in South Africa.

The chapters will be concise - no more than 5,000 words and, as in 1994, we aim to have the book out on the shelves a few months after the votes are counted. Thus, the deadline for getting manuscripts to me will be June 16. I shall arrive in Cape Town on May 29th and leave on July 2nd.

Please let me know by email or fax whether you can contribute. I look forward to hearing from you and trust you are well.

With very best wishes

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